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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2838

Application No.: 10/574,418

Examiner: E. TSO

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For: SECONDARY BATTERY CONTROL APPARATUS AND CONTROL METHOD
FOR PREDICTING CHARGING IN REGENERATIVE BRAKING (AS AMENDED)

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the March 17, 2008 Office Action, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks. Claims 1-36 are pending in this application.

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 4-7, 10, 12, 16-19, 21, 22, 24, 28-34 and 36.

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 2, 11, 13, 14, 23, 25, 26 and 35 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 7,100,558 to Amanuma et al. (hereinafter "Amanuma"); and claims 3, 8, 9, 15, 20 and 27 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Amanuma. The rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicant herewith submits an accurate English translation of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-368962, which is relied upon for priority to support at least all of the features of independent claims 1, 13 and 25. Thus, Applicant perfects the priority date of